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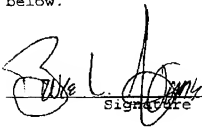
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Applicants respectfully request a one-month extension of time for replying to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, and request that the period for taking further action be reset to expire on October 18, 2003. This is an extension request for replying to the June 18 Office Action within the first month pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

The reason for the present request is to provide additional time to study the June 18 Office Action and take appropriate action in response thereto.

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Authorization is hereby given to charge \$110.00 for the required extension fee to our Deposit Account No. 01-0268. Should it be determined that this amount is insufficient for any reason, authorization hereby is given to charge any such insufficiency to Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

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